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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing are the following documents:

- 1. Preliminary Amendment;
- 2. Ten (10) pages of amended informal drawings;
- 3. One (1) page of Specification; and
- 4. Return Postcard.

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